allowed to draw the higher rates of High Price Allowance they were drawing prior to 1st April 1952 in whatever tenure they may be fixed after 1st April 1952.

In respect of Dearness Allowance the rules in force prior to 1st April 1952 will continue.

M. SHAMANNA,
Secretary to Government,
Finance Department.

Directs verification of the Dates of Birth of Gazetted Officers by the Heads of Departments.

CIRCULAR.

ORDER NO. FL. (B). 9352-451—C.R. 40-52-2, DATED BANGALORE, THE 7TH NOVEMBER 1952.

According to note 1 of paragraph 27 (*a*) of the Annexure to the Mysore Civil Account Code, Volume I, in the case of Gazetted Officers the evidence of date of birth should be furnished to the Comptroller (now the Accountant-General, Mysore).

In the new set up as the Accountant-General is not required to undertake the work of verification of the documentary evidence in support of the date of birth of a Gazetted Officer, Note 1 of paragraph 27 (*a*) of the Annexure to the Mysore Civil Account Code, Volume I, is deleted.

In future, the work of verification of the dates of birth of Gazetted Officers also may be done by the Heads of Departments, and for purposes of audit, it is sufficient that the dates of birth of officers directly recruited to the State Services are communicated to the Accountant-General, Mysore, by Government in the Administrative Department concerned.

M. SHAMANNA,
Secretary to Government,
Finance Department.

Records the report of the Revenue Commissioner on the working of the Treasuries in the State for the year 1951-52 with certain observations.

READ—

Letter No. C. 1095—52-53, dated the 28th October 1952, from the Revenue Commissioner in Mysore, Bangalore, forwarding the Annual Report on the working of the Treasuries in the State for the year 1951-52, received from the Accountant-General, Mysore, Bangalore.

ORDER NO. FL. (B) 9823-33—B. & T. 30-52-2, DATED BANGALORE, THE 26TH NOVEMBER 1952.

Recorded.

2. It is seen from the report that there was abnormal delay in the submission of lists of payments and cash accounts relating to State and Central transactions by the treasuries to the office of the Accountant-General. In order to enable the District Treasuries to send the monthly accounts punctually on the due dates to the Accountant-General, the following changes in the Treasury Procedure were introduced with effect from October 1951 :—

1. Inclusion of Taluk Treasury transactions of 26th and onwards in the District Treasury accounts of the following month except in March ;
2. Incorporation of Taluk Treasury transactions in the accounts of the District Treasury daily.

As a result of this new procedure it is expected that there will not be such delays in the submission of the accounts by the treasuries. The Revenue Com-

missioner in Mysore is requested to issue instructions to the treasuries to adhere strictly to the due dates prescribed for the submission of accounts and to take suitable disciplinary action in cases of lapses on the part of the treasuries.

The Accountant-General brings to notice cases of inordinate delay in the submission of annual returns such as statements of lapsed Revenue and Judicial Deposits, Savings Banks Journals and Savings Certificates Schedules. There has been a deplorable delay on the part of Bangalore District Treasury in this respect. The Revenue Commissioner in Mysore is requested to take necessary action for the prompt forwardal of the overdue returns from the treasuries to the Audit Office.

The Accountant-General points out certain other defects and omissions noticed during his inspection, such as non-recovery of Security Deposits from the concerned officers, incorrect accounts with opening and closing balances such as deposits, stamp accounts, non-observance of the rules relating the payment of pensions, defective counter arrangements, irregular, excessive or short payments, non-inclusion of taluk treasury transactions in District accounts, etc. It is expected that the staff of the treasuries particularly the supervisory staff will exercise a greater degree of check and scrutiny and avoid the recurrence of the irregularities noticed by the Accountant-General.

M. SHAMANNA,
Secretary to Government,
Finance Department.

Issues orders regarding the regulation of High Price Allowance admissible to Officers proceeding on leave after handing over charge of their posts in Bangalore.

READ—

Government Order No. Fl. 4615—S.&A. 160-44-9, dated 28th April 1945, ordering among other things the payment of the same rates of High Price Allowance to a Government servant on leave as he would be entitled to if he were on duty.

2. Correspondence ending with letter No. GI/RI-356, dated 13th September 1952, from the Accountant-General, Mysore, Bangalore, stating that a doubt is felt in audit as to whether an Officer who proceeds on leave after relief of a post in Bangalore would be entitled to the City rate of High Price Allowance and that in the absence of clear orders of Government on the subject, the higher rate of High Price Allowance is being given throughout the period of leave in cases where the officers return to duty in the City or till the date of posting orders transferring them to the mofussil in the case of officers transferred from the City and suggesting that for purposes of audit the correct procedure for regulating the High Price Allowance as noted under and which is in practice in Part 'A' States may be followed :—

> " In the case of a Government servant proceeding on leave after relief of a post in Bangalore where a higher rate of dearness or high price allowance is admissible, the leave sanctioning authority while sanctioning the leave should record a certificate regarding the prospects or otherwise of the Government servant's return to the same post or a different post in the same Station ".

ORDER NO. FL. (B). 9926-10014—L.F.A. 66-52-2, DATED BANGALORE, THE 26TH NOVEMBER 1952.

It is directed that all authorities competent to sanction leave should specify at the time of sanctioning the leave, regarding the prospects or otherwise of the Government servant's return to the same post or a different post in the same station. The higher rate of allowance will be allowed only if there is a prospect of the Officer's re-posting in Bangalore after the expiry of leave. The allowance will thus be regulated with reference to facts known at the time of sanctioning the leave and the allowance is not varied during the period of leave on account of any later developments.

M. SHAMANNA,
Secretary to Government,
Finance Department.